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DOCUMENT NUMBER:	21419775 PubMed ID: 11528221	
TITLE:	Expression of functional melanocortin-4 receptor in the hypothalamic GT1-1 cell line.	
AUTHOR:	Khong K; Kurtz S E; Sykes R L; Cone R D	
CORPORATE SOURCE:	Vollum Institute, Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, Oreg. 97201, USA.	
CONTRACT NUMBER:	DK51730 (NIDDK)	
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AB Mutations in the melanocortin-4 receptor (MC4-R) cause obesity in both mice and humans, and the receptor is presumed to have an important role in the regulation of energy homeostasis. The MC4-R is expressed in discrete sets of neurons in the central nervous system, and thus it has been

technically difficult to study the regulation of expression and the signaling mechanisms of this receptor. We report here a neuronal cell line that exhibits endogenous functional expression for the MC4-R. Initially, RT-PCR analysis showed the presence of MC4-R RNA in the hypothalamic GT1-1 and GT1-7 cells. In addition, GT1-7 cells expressed melanocortin-3 receptor while the GT1-1 subclone specifically expressed predominantly the MC4-R RNA. High-affinity binding sites were demonstrated in the GT1-1 and GT1-7 cells for NDP-alpha \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (MSH;  $K(i) = 1.1 \times 10(-10)$  and  $1.8 \times 10(-10)$  M) and agouti-related protein (AGRP;  $K(i) = 1.548 \times 10(-9)$  and  $1.663(-9)$  M). alpha-MSH-stimulated \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* in GT1-1 cells with an EC( \*\*\*50\*\*\* ) of  $2.2 \times 10(-8)$  M, and \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* was \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* in the presence of AGRP, an endogenous antagonist of the MC4-R. Stimulation of gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH) secretion was achieved with 1 nM to 1 microm concentrations of NDP-alpha-MSH while no GnRH secretion was observed when the GT1-1 cells were treated with AGRP. The data presented here show that GT1-1 cells specifically express a functional MC4-R that couples to GnRH release.

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 TITLE: Adenosine inhibits L- and N-type calcium channels in pituitary melanotrophs. Evidence for the involvement of a G protein in calcium channel gating.  
 AUTHOR: Mei Y A; Le Foll F; Vaudry H; Cazin L  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratory of Cellular and Molecular Neuroendocrinology, INSERM U 413, University of Rouen, Mont-Saint-Aignan, France.  
 SOURCE: JOURNAL OF NEUROENDOCRINOLOGY, (1996 Feb) 8 (2) 85-91. Journal code: 8913461. ISSN: 0953-8194.  
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AB It has been previously demonstrated that activation of A1 adenosine receptors in frog melanotrophs causes \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of spontaneous action potential discharges and alpha- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* secretion. In the present study, we have investigated the effect of adenosine on high-voltage-activated (HVA) calcium currents in cultured melanotrophs, using the whole-cell variant of the patch-clamp technique with barium as a charge carrier. Adenosine and the specific A1 adenosine receptor agonist R-PIA ( \*\*\*50\*\*\* microm each) \*\*\*produced\*\*\* a decrease of the amplitude of the barium current, while the selective A2 adenosine receptor agonist CGS 21680 did not affect the current. The \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of R-PIA was observed throughout the activation range of the current, with stronger responses at more positive potentials. R-PIA \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* both the L- and N-type components of the current, the effect on the N-component being two-fold higher than on the L-component. The \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of R-PIA was rendered irreversible by addition of GTP gamma S (100 microm) to the intracellular solution. Pre-treatment of the cells with pertussis toxin (1 microgram/ml; 12 h) totally abolished the effect of R-PIA on the HVA calcium channels. Conversely, addition of a high concentration of \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* (100 microm) together with the phosphodiesterase \*\*\*inhibitor\*\*\* IBMX (100 microm) to the intracellular solution did not modify the effect of R-PIA on the current. It is concluded that, in frog melanotrophs, adenosine induces \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of L- and N-calcium currents and that this effect is mediated by a pertussis toxin-sensitive G protein. Our data also indicate that the \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of adenosine on the calcium currents is not mediated by \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of adenylyl cyclase.

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 TITLE: Effects of melanocortin peptides on lipopolysaccharide/interferon-gamma-induced NF-kappaB DNA binding and nitric oxide production in macrophage-like RAW 264.7 cells: evidence for dual mechanisms of action.  
 AUTHOR: Mandrika I; Muceniece R; Wikberg J E  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Pharmaceutical Pharmacology, Uppsala University, Box 591, BMC, SE-75124, Uppsala, Sweden.  
 SOURCE: BIOCHEMICAL PHARMACOLOGY, (2001 Mar 1) 61 (5) 613-21. Journal code: 0101032. ISSN: 0006-2952.  
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 AB The pro-opiomelanocortin-derived peptide alpha- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha-MSH) mediates broad anti-inflammatory and immunomodulatory effects, which include \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of the \*\*\*production\*\*\* and release of proinflammatory cytokines and nitric oxide (NO) from macrophages. We investigated the effects of alpha-MSH, alpha-MSH(1-10), and alpha-MSH(11-13) on NO \*\*\*production\*\*\* and nuclear factor-kappaB (NF-kappaB) translocation in RAW 264.7 macrophages. After stimulation of the cells with bacterial lipopolysaccharide/interferon-gamma (LPS/IFN-gamma), all three peptides \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* NO \*\*\*production\*\*\* with an order of potency alpha-MSH > or = alpha-MSH(11-13) > alpha-MSH(1-10). All three MSH peptides \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* NF-kappaB nuclear translocation with the maximal effect of alpha-MSH and alpha-MSH(11-13) being seen in the range 1 nM-1 microm, and that of alpha-MSH(1-10) at 1 microm. By use of (125)I-(Nle(4),D-Phe(7))alpha-MSH(NDP-MSH) radioligand binding, MC(1) receptor-binding sites were demonstrated on RAW 264.7 cells. alpha-MSH and alpha-MSH(1-10) competed with the (125)I-NDP-MSH binding at these MC(1) receptor-binding sites, but alpha-MSH(11-13) even in concentrations up to 1 mM did not. Moreover, alpha-MSH and alpha-MSH(1-10) caused powerful stimulation of cyclic 3',5'-adenosine monophosphate ( \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* ) in the RAW 264.7 cell, whereas alpha-MSH(11-13) was ineffective. Forskolin stimulated \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* and \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* NO \*\*\*production\*\*\* to the same extent as alpha-MSH and alpha-MSH(1-10), but did not modify the translocation of NF-kappaB. whereas the protein kinase A \*\*\*inhibitor\*\*\* H89 did not modify the effect of alpha-MSH on NF-kappaB translocation, H89 caused a partial \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of the \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of alpha-MSH, alpha-MSH(1-10), alpha-MSH(11-13), and forskolin on NO \*\*\*production\*\*\*. In addition alpha-MSH, alpha-MSH(1-10), alpha-MSH(11-13), and forskolin also \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* the activity of an NF-kappaB-dependent luciferase reporter and these effects were partially counteracted by H89. We suggest that melanocortin peptides act via dual mechanisms of action: one \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* -independent and causing \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of NF-kappaB translocation and the other dependent on MC(1) receptor/ \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* activation.

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 AUTHOR: Khong K; Kurtz S E; Sykes R L; Cone R D  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Vollum Institute, Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, Oreg. 97201, USA.  
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AB Mutations in the melanocortin-4 receptor (MC4-R) cause obesity in both mice and humans, and the receptor is presumed to have an important role in the regulation of energy homeostasis. The MC4-R is expressed in discrete sets of neurons in the central nervous system, and thus it has been technically difficult to study the regulation of expression and the signaling mechanisms of this receptor. We report here a neuronal cell line that exhibits endogenous functional expression for the MC4-R. Initially, RT-PCR analysis showed the presence of MC4-R RNA in the hypothalamic GT1-1 and GT1-7 cells. In addition, GT1-7 cells expressed melanocortin-3 receptor while the GT1-1 subclone specifically expressed predominantly the MC4-R RNA. High-affinity binding sites were demonstrated in the GT1-1 and GT1-7 cells for NDP-alpha \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (MSH;  $K(i) = 1.1 \times 10(-10)$  and  $1.8 \times 10(-10)$  M) and agouti-related protein (AGRP;  $K(i) = 1.548 \times 10(-9)$  and  $1.663(-9)$  M). alpha-MSH-stimulated \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* in GT1-1 cells with an EC(50) of  $2.2 \times 10(-8)$  M, and \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* was \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* in the presence of AGRP, an endogenous antagonist of the MC4-R. Stimulation of gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH) secretion was achieved with 1 nM to 1 microm concentrations of NDP-alpha-MSH while no GnRH secretion was observed when the GT1-1 cells were treated with AGRP. The data presented here show that GT1-1 cells specifically express a functional MC4-R that couples to GnRH release.  
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 TITLE: Melanocortin receptors and delta-opioid receptor mediate opposite signalling actions of POMC-derived peptides in CATH.a cells.  
 AUTHOR: Rene F; Muller A; Jover E; Kieffer B; Koch B; Loeffler J P  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratoire de Neurophysiologie Cellulaire et Integree, UMR CNRS 7519, Strasbourg, France.  
 SOURCE: EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF NEUROSCIENCE, (1998 May) 10 (5) 1885-94.  
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AB The locus coeruleus is innervated by proopiomelanocortin (POMC)-derived peptide immunoreactive fibres. The biological effects of (\*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (aMSH) and [delta]-endorphin on second messengers (\*\*\*CAMP\*\*\*, inositol phosphates) and gene transcription were studied in the locus coeruleus-derived cell line CATH.a. RT-PCR analysis revealed the presence of four MSH receptor subtypes (1, 3, 4 and 5). Activation of these receptors by diacetyl alphaMSH stimulated \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* accumulation in a dose-dependent manner (EC50:  $4 \times 10(-9)$  M). Diacetyl alphaMSH stimulated transcription from reporter genes driven by the c-fos or tyrosine hydroxylase promoter. This effect was abolished when protein kinase A was inactivated with a dominant \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* mutant. RT-PCR analyses revealed the presence of delta-, but not mu- and kappa-opioid receptor. Pharmacological analysis showed that beta-endorphin (EC50:  $2.5 \times 10(-8)$  M), but not N-acetyl beta-endorphin, antagonized the biological effect of diacetyl alphaMSH on \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* and gene transcription. Since N-acetylation regulates the biological activity of alphaMSH and

beta-endorphin in an opposite manner, we propose a model where the rate of secretion dictated by the bioelectric activity of the presynaptic neuron modulates POMC-derived peptide maturation and the resulting biological signal sensed by the postsynaptic plate.

L11 ANSWER 4 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 4  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998281989 MEDLINE  
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 TITLE: Melanocortin peptides inhibit production of proinflammatory cytokines and nitric oxide by activated microglia.  
 AUTHOR: Delgado R; Carlin A; Airaghi L; Demitri M T; Meda L; Galimberti D; Baron P; Lipton J M; Catania A  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: III Division of Internal Medicine, IRCCS Ospedale Maggiore, Milano, Italy.  
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AB Inflammatory processes contribute to neurodegenerative disease, stroke, encephalitis, and other central nervous system (CNS) disorders. Activated microglia are a source of cytokines and other inflammatory agents within the CNS and it is therefore important to control glial function in order to preserve neural cells. Melanocortin peptides are pro-opiomelanocortin-derived amino acid sequences that include alpha- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha-MSH) and adrenocorticotrophic hormone (ACTH). These peptides have potent and broad anti-inflammatory effects. We tested effects of alpha-MSH (1-13), alpha-MSH (11-13), and ACTH (1-24) on \*\*\*production\*\*\* of tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF-alpha), interleukin-6 (IL-6), and nitric oxide (NO) in a cultured murine microglial cell line (N9) stimulated with lipopolysaccharide (LPS) plus interferon gamma (IFN-gamma). Melanocortin peptides \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* of these cytokines and NO in a concentration-related fashion, probably by increasing intracellular \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\*. When stimulated with LPS + IFN-gamma, microglia increased release of alpha-MSH. \*\*\*Production\*\*\* of TNF-alpha, IL-6, and NO was greater in activated microglia after immunoneutralization of endogenous alpha-MSH. The results suggest that alpha-MSH is an autocrine factor in microglia. Because melanocortin peptides \*\*\*inhibit\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* of pro-inflammatory mediators by activated microglia they might be useful in treatment of inflammatory/degenerative brain disorders.

L11 ANSWER 5 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 5  
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 TITLE: Agouti signaling protein inhibits melanogenesis and the response of human melanocytes to alpha-melanotropin.  
 AUTHOR: Suzuki I; Tada A; Ollmann M M; Barsh G S; Im S; Lamoreux M L; Hearing V J; Nordlund J J; Abdel-Malek Z A  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: POLA Laboratories, Yokohama, Japan.  
 CONTRACT NUMBER: EY 10223 (NEI)  
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AB In mouse follicular melanocytes, the switch between eumelanin and pheomelanin synthesis is regulated by the extension locus, which encodes the melanocortin-1 receptor (MC1R) and the agouti locus, which encodes a novel paracrine-signaling molecule that \*\*\*inhibits\*\*\* binding of melanocortins to the MC1R. Human melanocytes express the MC1R and respond to melanotropins with increased proliferation and eumelanogenesis, but a potential role for the human homolog of agouti-signaling protein, ASIP, in



human pigmentation has not been investigated. Here we report that ASIP blocked the binding of alpha- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha-MSH) to the MC1R and \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* the effects of alpha-MSH on human melanocytes. Treatment of human melanocytes with 1 nM-10 nM recombinant mouse or human ASIP blocked the stimulatory effects of alpha-MSH on \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* accumulation, tyrosinase activity, and cell proliferation. In the absence of exogenous alpha-MSH, ASIP \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* basal levels of tyrosinase activity and cell proliferation and reduced the level of immunoreactive tyrosinase-related protein-1 (TRP-1) without significantly altering the level of immunoreactive tyrosinase. In addition, ASIP blocked the stimulatory effects of forskolin or dibutyryl \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\*, agents that act downstream from the MC1R, on tyrosinase activity and cell proliferation. These results demonstrate that the functional relationship between the agouti and MC1R gene \*\*\*products\*\*\* is similar in mice and humans and suggest a potential physiologic role for ASIP in regulation of human pigmentation.

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AB Some malignant melanoma cells regress spontaneously by terminal differentiation, and understanding the mechanisms of this spontaneous regression can contribute to the development of a new therapy not only for melanoma but also for other cancers. The signal transducing G protein is one component of the signaling pathways for the differentiation-inducing molecules such as alpha- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha-MSH) and \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\*. To investigate the role of G proteins in the differentiation process, we analyzed the expression of various G proteins by quantitative Western blot and \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* response in human malignant melanoma cell lines. SK-MEL-3 cells expressed the largest amount of stimulatory G protein alpha subunit (G $\alpha$ ) and the largest amount of \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* G protein alpha subunit (G $\alpha$ ) was expressed in Malme-3M cells among the 4 melanoma cell lines analyzed in this experiment. The SK-MEL-28 cells exhibited largest amount of alpha subunit of G $\alpha$  and the beta subunits. The \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* formation by forskolin stimulation was largest in the Malme-3M. The amount of \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* formation did not show any correlation with the expression of G $\alpha$  nor that of G $\alpha$ . The population doubling time we found that the melanoma cells vary widely both in the expression of various G proteins and in \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* depending on the cell lines.

L11 ANSWER 7 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 7

ACCESSION NUMBER: 97009393 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 97009393 PubMed ID: 8856498  
TITLE: Induction of constitutive melanogenesis in amelanotic mouse melanoma cells by transfection of the human melanocortin-1 receptor gene.  
AUTHOR: Chluba-de Tapia J; Bagutti C; Cotti R; Eberle A N  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Research (ZLF), University Hospital, Basel, Switzerland.  
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF CELL SCIENCE, (1996 Aug) 109 ( Pt 8) 2023-30. Journal code: 0052457. ISSN: 0021-9533.  
PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
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AB The human melanocortin-1 (MC1) receptor was stably expressed in the amelanotic mouse melanoma cell clone B16-G4F which does not express its own (mouse) MC1 receptor and hence is unresponsive to alpha- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha MSH).

From several stable transfectant cell lines expressing the human MC1 receptor in relatively high numbers, three melanin \*\*\*producing\*\*\* clones (G4F-12, 14, and 15) and one amelanotic clone (G4F-7) were further analyzed in competition binding experiments and in \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* and melanin assays. The dissociation constants (KD) for [Nle4, D-Phe7]-alpha MSH in all four clones ranged from 0.187 to 0.705 nM, thus corresponding to the KD observed with the different human melanoma cell lines so far studied. Intracellular \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* content was 3- to 5-fold higher than that of control cells, and alpha MSH induced an additional 1.5- to 1.7-fold increase. G4F-15 cells secreted melanin into the medium whereas the other clones did not secrete melanin. The extent of melanin secretion was similar to that of fully alpha MSH-stimulated B16-F1 mouse melanoma cells but the onset of secretion was delayed. alpha MSH induced an additional dose-related increase (up to 1.3-fold) in melanin \*\*\*production\*\*\* which could be suppressed by the addition of specific alpha MSH antibodies without altering the constitutive part of melanogenesis. Human and mouse agouti proteins, which \*\*\*inhibit\*\*\* basal and alpha MSH-induced melanogenesis in B16-F1 cells, both reduced alpha MSH-induced melanin \*\*\*production\*\*\* in G4F-15 cells but did not affect the constitutive melanogenesis. These results indicate that human MC1 receptor expressed in mouse B16-G4F cells induces constitutive activation of the signalling pathway controlling melanogenesis, most likely by tightly coupling to Gs alpha, in a similar manner to that reported for constitutively active receptor mutants in other systems.

L11 ANSWER 8 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 8  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 96396976 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 96396976 PubMed ID: 8804079  
 TITLE: The neuropeptide alpha-MSH has specific receptors on neutrophils and reduces chemotaxis in vitro.  
 AUTHOR: Catania A; Rajora N; Capsoni F; Minonzio F; Star R A; Lipton J M  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Institute of Internal Medicine, University of Milan, Italy.  
 CONTRACT NUMBER: NS10046 (NINDS)  
 SOURCE: PEPTIDES, (1996) 17 (4) 675-9.  
 Journal code: 8008690. ISSN: 0196-9781.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
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AB The proopiomelanocortin-derived peptide alpha- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\*  
 \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha-MSH) has potent  
 anti-inflammatory effects in all animal models of inflammation against which it has been tested. Understanding of the mechanism by which this occurs is incomplete, although there is recent evidence for alpha-MSH receptors in murine and human macrophages and for modulation of \*\*\*production\*\*\* of proinflammatory cytokines and related mediators by alpha-MSH. Because of the prominence of neutrophils in early stages of inflammatory reactions where alpha-MSH is effective, we examined human neutrophils for evidence of mRNA for alpha-MSH receptors and for \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of neutrophil chemotaxis. There was accumulation of mRNA for melanocortin receptor 1 (MC1) in RT/PCR \*\*\*product\*\*\* from neutrophils stimulated with interferon and LPS. In subsequent studies alpha-MSH \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* migration of neutrophils from most normal volunteers when the cells were placed in FMLP or IL-8 gradients. The \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* by alpha-MSH could be traced to alterations in \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* in neutrophils. The presence of alpha-MSH receptor message in neutrophils is consistent with the established anti-inflammatory effects of the peptide. Direct \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of neutrophil chemotaxis likely contributes to the anti-inflammatory activity of alpha-MSH.

L11 ANSWER 9 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 9  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 97021894 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 97021894 PubMed ID: 8868254  
 TITLE: Adenosine inhibits L- and N-type calcium channels in pituitary melanotrophs. Evidence for the involvement of a G protein in calcium channel gating.  
 AUTHOR: Mei Y A; Le Foll F; Vaudry H; Cazin L  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratory of Cellular and Molecular Neuroendocrinology, INSERM U 413, University of Rouen, Mont-Saint-Aignan, France.  
 SOURCE: JOURNAL OF NEUROENDOCRINOLOGY, (1996 Feb) 8 (2) 85-91.

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ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 19961219  
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Entered Medline: 19961127

AB It has been previously demonstrated that activation of A1 adenosine receptors in frog melanotrophs causes \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of spontaneous action potential discharges and alpha-\*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* secretion. In the present study, we have investigated the effect of adenosine on high-voltage-activated (HVA) calcium currents in cultured melanotrophs, using the whole-cell variant of the patch-clamp technique with barium as a charge carrier. Adenosine and the specific A1 adenosine receptor agonist R-PIA (50 microm each) \*\*\*produced\*\*\* a decrease of the amplitude of the barium current, while the selective A2 adenosine receptor agonist CGS 21680 did not affect the current. The \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of R-PIA was observed throughout the activation range of the current, with stronger responses at more positive potentials. R-PIA \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* both the L- and N-type components of the current, the effect on the N-component being two-fold higher than on the L-component. The \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of R-PIA was rendered irreversible by addition of GTP gamma S (100 microm) to the intracellular solution. Pre-treatment of the cells with pertussis toxin (1 microgram/ml; 12 h) totally abolished the effect of R-PIA on the HVA calcium channels. Conversely, addition of a high concentration of \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* (100 microm) together with the phosphodiesterase \*\*\*inhibitor\*\*\* IBMX (100 microm) to the intracellular solution did not modify the effect of R-PIA on the current. It is concluded that, in frog melanotrophs, adenosine induces \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of L- and N-calcium currents and that this effect is mediated by a pertussis toxin-sensitive G protein. Our data also indicate that the \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of adenosine on the calcium currents is not mediated by \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of adenylyl cyclase.

L11 ANSWER 10 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 10  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 95372410 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95372410 PubMed ID: 7544012  
TITLE: Evidence of autocrine modulation of macrophage nitric oxide synthase by alpha-melanocyte-stimulating hormone.  
AUTHOR: Star R A; Rajora N; Huang J; Stock R C; Catania A; Lipton J M  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Internal Medicine, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas 75235, USA.  
CONTRACT NUMBER: DK-01888 (NIDDK)  
NS10046 (NINDS)  
SOURCE: PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, (1995 Aug 15) 92 (17) 8016-20.  
Journal code: 7505876. ISSN: 0027-8424.  
PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
LANGUAGE: English  
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
ENTRY MONTH: 199509  
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 19950930  
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Entered Medline: 19950921

AB alpha-\*\*\*Melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha-MSH) is a potent \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* agent in all major forms of inflammation. To identify a potential mechanism of antiinflammatory action of alpha-MSH, we tested its effects on \*\*\*production\*\*\* of nitric oxide (NO), believed to be a mediator common to all forms of inflammation. We measured NO and alpha-MSH \*\*\*production\*\*\* in RAW 264.7 cultured murine macrophages stimulated with bacterial lipopolysaccharide and interferon gamma. alpha-MSH \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* of NO, as estimated from nitrite \*\*\*production\*\*\* and nitration of endogenous macrophage proteins. This occurred through \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of \*\*\*production\*\*\* of NO synthase II protein; steady-state NO synthase II mRNA abundance was also reduced. alpha-MSH increased \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* accumulation in RAW cells, characteristic of alpha-MSH receptors in other cell types. RAW cells also expressed mRNA for the primary alpha-MSH receptor (melanocortin 1). mRNA for proopiomelanocortin, the precursor molecular of alpha-MSH, was expressed in RAW cells, and tumor necrosis factor alpha increased \*\*\*production\*\*\* and release of alpha-MSH. These results suggest that the proinflammatory

cytokine tumor necrosis factor alpha can induce macrophages to increase  
 \*\*\*production\*\*\* of alpha-MSH, which then becomes available to act upon  
 melanocortin receptors on the same cells. Such stimulation of  
 melanocortin receptors could modulate inflammation by \*\*\*inhibiting\*\*\*  
 the \*\*\*production\*\*\* of NO. The results suggest that alpha-MSH is an  
 autocrine factor in macrophages which modulates inflammation by  
 counteracting the effects of proinflammatory cytokines.

L11 ANSWER 11 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 11  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 95240364 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95240364 PubMed ID: 7723599  
 TITLE: Pyrroloquinoline quinone (PQQ) inhibits the expression of  
 tyrosinase mRNA by alpha-melanocyte stimulating hormone in  
 murine B16 melanoma cells.  
 AUTHOR: Kosano H; Setogawa T; Kobayashi K; Nishigori H  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Teikyo University,  
 Kanagawa, Japan.  
 SOURCE: LIFE SCIENCES, (1995) 56 (20) 1707-13.  
 Journal code: 0375521. ISSN: 0024-3205.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
 ENTRY MONTH: 199505  
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AB The biological functions of pyrroloquinoline quinone (PQQ), a bacterial  
 redox coenzyme and potent radical scavenger, have not been elucidated in  
 mammals. In this paper, we studied the effects of PQQ on tyrosinase  
 activity and subsequent melanogenesis in murine B16-F10 melanoma and found  
 that alpha- \*\*\*Melanocyte\*\*\* \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\*  
 (MSH)-induced melanogenesis was \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* by 6.3 to 25 microm  
 PQQ in a dose-dependent manner. Moreover, PQQ \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\*  
 MSH-induced tyrosinase activity by suppressing tyrosinase mRNA expressed  
 by MSH. However, PQQ had no effect on MSH-stimulated cyclic adenosine 3',  
 5'-monophosphate ( \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* ) \*\*\*production\*\*\*. These  
 observations suggest that PQQ \*\*\*inhibits\*\*\* the expression of  
 tyrosinase mRNA at a post receptor level and that PQQ may be useful in  
 investigating hormone actions mediated by \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\*.

L11 ANSWER 12 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 12  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 95252807 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 95252807 PubMed ID: 7734952  
 TITLE: Impairment of the melanogenic pathway in B16 melanoma cells  
 transfected with class I H-2 genes.  
 AUTHOR: Prezioso J A; Hearing V J; Muller J; Urabe K; Wang N;  
 Gorelik E  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Radiation Oncology, University of Pittsburgh,  
 Pittsburgh Cancer Institute, PA, USA.  
 SOURCE: MELANOMA RESEARCH, (1995 Feb) 5 (1) 15-25.  
 Journal code: 9109623. ISSN: 0960-8931.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
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AB Transfection of class I H-2Kb or H-2Kd into cells of a pigmented subclone  
 of B16-F10 BL6 (termed BL6-8) results in the loss of melanin  
 \*\*\*production\*\*\*. In contrast, transfected BL6-8 cells expressing  
 H-2Dd, H-2Ld, class I H-2IAk and/or the neor genes maintained their  
 pigmented phenotype. Melanogenesis was also \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* in cells  
 which expressed the endogenous H-2Kb, but not the endogenous H-2Db, gene.  
 In order to identify the specific defects in the melanogenic pathway  
 responsible for the absence of melanin \*\*\*production\*\*\*, factors known  
 to be related to the regulation of pigment formation were evaluated in  
 H-2K-expressing cells. These studies showed that: (1) transfection of  
 BL6-8 cells with the H-2Kb or H-2Kd, but not with the H-2Dd, H-2Ld or  
 H-2IAk, genes was associated with complete \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of  
 tyrosinase activity; (2) alpha- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\*  
 \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (MSH) and theophylline (an \*\*\*inhibitor\*\*\* of  
 \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* phosphodiesterase) failed to stimulate tyrosinase activity in  
 H-2K-positive cells, whereas tyrosinase activities in untransfected, or  
 H-2DdH-2Ld, neor or H-2IAk-transfected cells were dramatically increased

by those agents; (3) treatment with MSH had no effect on \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* levels in H-2K-positive cells but stimulated \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* levels more than 100-fold in H-2K-negative cells; (4) in contrast to MSH, forskolin, a stimulator of adenylate cyclase, was able to stimulate \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* levels in all cell lines tested, but in H-2Kb-positive cells the levels of forskolin-induced \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* were significantly less than those elicited in H-2Kb-negative cells; (5) electron microscopy showed that H-2K-positive cells lacked mature melanosomes; (6) Northern blot analyses showed that H-2K-positive cells lacked mRNA for tyrosinase or for the MSH receptor. Taken together, expression of the endogenous or transfected H-2K gene in BL6 melanoma cells results in down-regulation of the entire melanogenic pathway, including the \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of tyrosinase and MSH receptor gene expression, \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* responses and melanosomal biogenesis.

L11 ANSWER 13 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 13  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 93232728 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 93232728 PubMed ID: 8386214  
 TITLE: Effect of dopamine on adenylate cyclase activity, polyphosphoinositide metabolism and cytosolic calcium concentrations in frog pituitary melanotrophs.  
 AUTHOR: Desrues L; Lamacz M; Jenks B G; Vaudry H; Tonon M C  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: European Institute for Peptide Research, CNRS URA 650, UA INSERM, University of Rouen, Mont-Saint-Aignan, France.  
 SOURCE: JOURNAL OF ENDOCRINOLOGY, (1993 Mar) 136 (3) 421-9. Journal code: 0375363. ISSN: 0022-0795.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
 ENTRY MONTH: 199305  
 ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 19930604  
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AB It has previously been shown that dopamine plays a pivotal role in the regulation of alpha- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha-MSH) secretion from the intermediate lobe of the pituitary. In the present study, we have investigated the various intracellular mechanisms that are associated with the action of dopamine on frog pituitary melanotrophs. Dopamine reduced forskolin-stimulated cyclic adenosine monophosphate ( \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* ) \*\*\*production\*\*\* and the \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of dopamine was blocked by the dopaminergic D2 receptor antagonist sulpiride. The D2 receptor agonist apomorphine \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* incorporation of [3H]inositol into membrane phospholipids. Dopamine also \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* the formation of inositol trisphosphate and provoked accumulation of phosphatidylinositol biphosphate. The \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of dopamine on inositol trisphosphate \*\*\*production\*\*\* was mimicked by D2 receptor agonists and blocked by sulpiride. Using a double-wavelength microfluorimetric approach, we found that dopamine caused a rapid and transient decrease in K(+)-evoked stimulation of intracellular calcium concentration. The time-courses of the responses of the various intracellular messengers indicate that blockage of voltage-dependent calcium channels is the primary event associated with activation of dopamine D2 receptors, while \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of polyphosphoinositide breakdown, related to blockage of voltage-dependent calcium channels, and reduction of \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\* are secondary events which may contribute to the sustained \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of dopamine on alpha-MSH release.

L11 ANSWER 14 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 14  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 89325839 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 89325839 PubMed ID: 2546842  
 TITLE: Adrenocorticotrophic hormone inhibits angiotensin II-stimulated inositol phosphate accumulation in rat adrenal glomerulosa cells.  
 AUTHOR: Woodcock E A  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Monash University Department of Medicine, Prince Henry's Hospital, Melbourne, Australia.  
 SOURCE: MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR ENDOCRINOLOGY, (1989 May) 63 (1-2) 247-53. Journal code: 7500844. ISSN: 0303-7207.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: Netherlands  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
 ENTRY MONTH: 198908

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AB Rat adrenal glomerulosa cells labelled for 18 h with [3H]inositol responded to angiotensin II with a dose-dependent stimulation of the accumulation of inositol monophosphate, inositol bisphosphate and inositol trisphosphate. Addition of adrenocorticotrophic hormone (ACTH) (10(-7)M) reduced the maximum responses without altering the EC50 values for angiotensin II. Thus, ACTH acted as a non-competitive \*\*\*inhibitor\*\*\* with respect to angiotensin II. No \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* was observed in cells labelled for 2 h with [3H]inositol. Detailed examination of the \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* showed that ACTH(1-24) was the most potent \*\*\*inhibitor\*\*\*, with ACTH(1-39) being 10-fold less potent. A mixture of alpha-\*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha-MSH) (ACTH(1-13) and corticotropin-like intermediate lobe peptide (ACTH(18-39) was similarly inactive. ACTH(5-24) did not \*\*\*produce\*\*\* detectable \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\*. In terms of specificity, the receptor mediating ACTH \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* of phosphatidylinositol turnover was similar to the receptor which mediated stimulation of aldosterone synthesis. \*\*\*Inhibition\*\*\* by ACTH was additive with \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* \*\*\*produced\*\*\* by dibutyryl \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* demonstrating that it was not mediated by rises in intracellular \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\*. ACTH \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* also was additive with \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* by the calcium channel blocker, nifedipine. These results demonstrate an interaction between ACTH receptors and angiotensin II receptors in adrenal glomerulosa cells at the level of their receptor-second messenger pathways.

L11 ANSWER 15 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 15  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 87260965 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 87260965 PubMed ID: 3037540  
TITLE: Regulation of cell shape in the Cloudman melanoma cell line.  
AUTHOR: Preston S F; Volpi M; Pearson C M; Berlin R D  
CONTRACT NUMBER: CA-15544 (NCI)  
GM-30209 (NIGMS)  
SOURCE: PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, (1987 Aug) 84 (15) 5247-51.  
Journal code: 7505876. ISSN: 0027-8424.  
PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
LANGUAGE: English  
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
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ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 19900305  
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AB We show that Cloudman melanoma cells undergo rapid arborization in response to [Nle4,D-Phe7]alpha-\*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\*, a potent analogue of alpha-\*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (alpha-MSH). The arbors were established by extension of processes and resembled dendrites. We used this system to study the regulation of cell shape. alpha-MSH is known to induce increases in \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* levels, and agents such as forskolin and isobutylmethylxanthine that led to increased \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* also caused arborization. However, equally dramatic arbors were formed after incubation with the protein kinase C \*\*\*inhibitor\*\*\* H-7 [1-(5-isoquinolinesulfonyl)-alpha-methyl-piperazine]. Phorbol diesters that activate protein kinase C led to cell rounding and antagonized alpha-MSH. The actions of protein kinase C cannot be rationalized in terms of indirect effects on \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\*: neither H-7 nor phorbol diesters alone altered \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* levels, nor did they affect the increase in \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* induced by MSH. We show also that MSH \*\*\*produced\*\*\* longer-term effects that cannot be mimicked by \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\*. Specifically, even in the continued presence of alpha-MSH, arborization was followed by morphological reversal to the unstimulated flattened configuration within 2 hr. (This did not occur with other agents that increase \*\*\*cAMP\*\*\* or with H-7.) Most importantly, whereas MSH-induced arborization occurred in the presence of cycloheximide, actinomycin D, or in enucleated cells, the reversal of arborization did not. Thus, MSH induced a program of rapid shape change that was dependent on new protein synthesis and gene transcription.

L11 ANSWER 16 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 16  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 83136010 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 83136010 PubMed ID: 6826662  
TITLE: Specific protein production during melanogenesis in B16/C3

melanoma cells.  
 AUTHOR: Laskin J D; Piccinini L; Engelhardt D L; Weinstein I B  
 SOURCE: JOURNAL OF CELLULAR PHYSIOLOGY, (1983 Jan) 114 (1) 68-72.  
 Journal code: 0050222. ISSN: 0021-9541.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
 ENTRY MONTH: 198304  
 ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 19900318  
 Last Updated on STN: 19900318  
 Entered Medline: 19830415

AB The mouse melanoma cell line B16/C3 offers an excellent in vitro model for studying melanocyte differentiation. Melanogenesis can be induced by serum, a hormone-supplemented serum-free medium, \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\*, \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\*, \*\*\*hormone\*\*\*, and dibutyryl \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\*. The tumor promoter, 12-O-tetradecanoyl-phorbol-13-acetate, 5-bromodeoxyuridine, and acidic pH \*\*\*inhibit\*\*\* this process. Using two-dimensional polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis, we have identified four cellular proteins whose \*\*\*production\*\*\* is modulated during melanogenesis, a process which includes concomitant increases in levels of tyrosinase, the rate limiting enzyme for melanin biosynthesis, melanization, and ultimately, cell death. The \*\*\*production\*\*\* of these proteins are coordinately expressed or \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* in response to the diverse inducers and \*\*\*inhibitors\*\*\* of melanogenesis. We conclude from these studies that these specific proteins are intimately involved in the differentiation of B16/C3 melanoma cells.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1981:162630 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: BA71:32622  
 TITLE: STIMULATION OF MELANOGENESIS IN A HUMAN MELANOMA CELL LINE BY RETINOIDS.

AUTHOR(S): LOTAN R; LOTAN D  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: DEP. BIOPHYS., WEIZMANN INST. SCI., REHOVOT, ISR.  
 SOURCE: CANCER RES, (1980) 40 (9), 3345-3350.  
 CODEN: CNREA8. ISSN: 0008-5472.

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 LANGUAGE: English

AB Retinoic acid was a potent stimulant of pigmentation in human Hs939 melanoma cells. Exposure to 1 .mu.M retinoic acid for longer than 4 days caused a decrease in the rate of cell proliferation and a concomitant increase in melanogenesis. These effects of retinoic acid progressed linearly in a time-dependent and a dose-dependent fashion, such that at the end of a 7 day treatment cell growth was \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* by approximately 65%; melanin content and tyrosinase activity increased more than 3-fold over the control. Interpolation of the dose-response curves indicated that 3 nM retinoic acid would cause half-maximal melanogenesis stimulation. No elevation in the level of \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* was detected in the melanoma cells following various periods of exposure to retinoic acid; the cells were unresponsive to .alpha.- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\*, \*\*\*hormone\*\*\*. In the presence of the tyrosinase \*\*\*inhibitor\*\*\* phenylthiocarbamate, retinoic acid was capable of \*\*\*inhibiting\*\*\* cell proliferation without enhancing melanin synthesis. The tumor promoter phorbol myristate acetate did not affect the proliferation or the differentiation of the Hs939 melanoma cells. The enhancement of melanogenesis by 1 .mu.M retinoic acid was \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* by 66% in the presence of 0.1 .mu.M phorbol myristate acetate. The tumor promoter did not reverse the growth- \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* effect of retinoic acid. Phorbol, a non-tumor promoter, was ineffective. Other retinoids, such as 13-cis-retinoic acid, retinyl acetate and the trimethylmethoxyphenyl analog of retinoic acid, also \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* the proliferation and enhanced melanin \*\*\*production\*\*\* in the Hs939 cells. Retinyl palmitate, the phenyl analog of retinoic acid, and the pyridyl analog of retinoic acid were ineffective.

L11 ANSWER 18 OF 25 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1980:278154 BIOSIS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: BA70:70650  
 TITLE: IN-VITRO MITOGENIC AND STEROIDOGENIC EFFECTS OF ACTH ANALOGS ON AN ADRENAL TUMOR CELL LINE Y-1.  
 AUTHOR(S): MORERA A M; SAEZ J M  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: UNITE RECH. CONTROL HORM. ACT. CELL., INST. NATL. SANTE RECH. MED., HOP. DEBROUSSE, 69322 LYON CEDEX 1, FRANCE.  
 SOURCE: EXP CELL RES, (1980) 127 (2), 446-451.  
 CODEN: ECREAL. ISSN: 0014-4827.

FILE SEGMENT: BA; OLD  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB Native porcine ACTH1-39 and synthetic ACTH1-24 increase c[cyclic]AMP and steroid \*\*\*production\*\*\* and \*\*\*inhibit\*\*\* DNA synthesis in [mouse Y-1] adrenal cell line. The COOH terminal sequence of both peptides and .beta.-endorphin have no effects, while the NH2 terminal sequence of ACTH and .alpha.-MSH [ \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* ] which have very low stimulatory effect on \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\*, have a mitogenic effect. ACTH might have some mitogenic action on adrenal cell in vitro, but this effect is blunted by \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* accumulation during hormonal stimulation. The results can also explain the in vivo and in vitro contradictory effects of the hormone on adrenal cell replication.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1980:286881 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: BA70:79377  
TITLE: DECAY OF HORMONE RESPONSIVENESS IN MOUSE MELANOMA CELLS IN CULTURE AS A FUNCTION OF CELL DENSITY.  
AUTHOR(S): FULLER B B; LEBOWITZ J  
CORPORATE SOURCE: DEP. GEN. BIOL., UNIV. ARIZ., TUCSON, ARIZ. 85721, USA.  
SOURCE: J CELL PHYSIOL, (1980) 103 (2), 279-288.  
CODEN: JCLLAX. ISSN: 0021-9541.

FILE SEGMENT: BA; OLD  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB Cloudman S91 mouse melanoma cells lose their ability to demonstrate an MSH[ \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* ]-induced increase in tyrosinase activity as cell density increases. This loss in hormone responsiveness occurs before confluency is reached and cannot be reversed by exposing cells to increasing concentrations of MSH. The failure of high-density cultures to respond to MSH is apparently not the result of an inability of MSH to stimulate c[cyclic]AMP \*\*\*production\*\*\*, since either low- or high-density cultures exposed to MSH demonstrate equivalent increases in intracellular levels of \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\*. Theophylline (1 mM), dibutyryl \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* (10-4 M) and prostaglandin E1 (10-6 M) each failed to stimulate tyrosinase activity in melanoma cells cultured at densities exceeding 6 .times. 104 cells/cm2. The decay of hormone responsiveness apparently occurs at a cellular site distal to \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* \*\*\*production\*\*\*. The decrease in tyrosinase stimulation by MSH as cell density increases is also apparently not the result of an increase in activity of any soluble \*\*\*inhibitor\*\*\* of the enzyme; cytosol preparations from high-density cultures (105 cells/cm2) fail to \*\*\*inhibit\*\*\* tyrosinase activity in cell homogenates from low-density cultures treated with MSH.

L11 ANSWER 20 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 17  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 78244711 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 78244711 PubMed ID: 210294  
TITLE: Control of melanogenesis in mouse melanoma cells of varying metastatic potential.  
AUTHOR: Niles R M; Makarski J S  
SOURCE: JOURNAL OF THE NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE, (1978 Aug) 61 (2) 523-6.  
Journal code: 7503089. ISSN: 0027-8874.  
PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
LANGUAGE: English  
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
ENTRY MONTH: 197810  
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 19900314  
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Entered Medline: 19781025

AB The control of melanin \*\*\*production\*\*\*, tyrosinase activity, and cell replication by \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (MSH) and cyclic AMP ( \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* ) was examined in differentially metastasizing B16 mouse melanoma variants. In B16-F1 cells (low metastatic potential), MSH or \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* greatly elevated tyrosinase activity and melanin content while \*\*\*inhibiting\*\*\* cell replication. The same parameters in B16-F5 cells (intermediate metastatic potential) were altered to a much lesser degree, whereas B16-F10 cells (high metastatic potential) were not significantly affected by MSH or \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\*. Therefore, a correlation exists between loss of hormonal regulation and increased metastatic potential.

L11 ANSWER 21 OF 25 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1978:209193 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: BA66:21690



TITLE: THE EFFECT OF THE DIVALENT CATION IONOPHORE A-23187 ON AMPHIBIAN MELANOPHORES AND IRIDOPHORES.

AUTHOR(S): NOVALES R R

CORPORATE SOURCE: DEP. BIOL. SCI., NORTHWEST. UNIV., EVANSTON, ILL. 60201, USA.

SOURCE: J INVEST DERMATOL, (1977) 69 (5), 446-450.  
CODEN: JIDEAE. ISSN: 0022-202X.

FILE SEGMENT: BA; OLD

LANGUAGE: English

AB Ca<sup>2+</sup> ions are required in the medium for the full darkening action of \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\*, but not for its second messenger, cyclic[c]AMP, on isolated frog skin. The possible effect of the divalent cation ionophore A23187 was studied, using the skin of *Rana pipiens*. It is a potent darkening agent over the range of 1-2 .mu.M, as measured by reflectance change and microscopic observation. During the darkening response to A23187, melanosome dispersion takes place in both dermal and epidermal melanophores, as well as aggregation of iridophore reflecting platelets. The darkening is slowly reversible in Ringer's solution, thus it is not due to toxicity. The darkening is partially dependent on the presence of Ca in the medium under certain conditions, suggesting that the response involves both the uptake and release of Ca ions. Cytochalasin B reversibly \*\*\*inhibits\*\*\* the darkening \*\*\*produced\*\*\* by A23187. Since this drug is known to bring about the breakdown of microfilaments, its \*\*\*inhibitory\*\*\* action is in accord with the concept that the ionophore is stimulating microfilament function. A23187 administered to tissue cultured embryonic salamander (*Ambystoma maculatum*) melanophores \*\*\*produced\*\*\* an irreversible rounding up of the cells, suggesting a toxic effect. The results with frog skin are interpreted as supporting the concept that the action of \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* involves the \*\*\*production\*\*\* of pigment granule movements as a result of the interaction of Ca ions with intracellular microfilaments and possible also the breakdown of microtubules. The mobilization of Ca ions could be brought about by \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\*.

L11 ANSWER 22 OF 25 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN DUPLICATE 18

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1978:141142 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: BA65:28142

TITLE: THE DUAL EFFECT OF MELANOCYTE STIMULATING HORMONE ON THE GROWTH OF CULTURED MOUSE MELANOMA CELLS.

AUTHOR(S): HALABAN R; LERNER A B

CORPORATE SOURCE: DEP. DERMATOL., YALE UNIV. SCH. MED., NEW HAVEN, CONN. 06510, USA.

SOURCE: EXP CELL RES, (1977) 108 (1), 111-118.  
CODEN: ECREAL. ISSN: 0014-4827.

FILE SEGMENT: BA; OLD

LANGUAGE: English

AB Melanotropin ( \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\*, MSH) can stimulate or \*\*\*inhibit\*\*\* the rate of proliferation of melanocytes. Stimulation was observed in cultures of mouse melanoma cells that had low tyrosinase activity and in cells that had normal tyrosinase activity but were grown in medium that was changed frequently or was deficient in tyrosine. \*\*\*Inhibition\*\*\* of growth was associated with high tyrosinase activity and the presence of tyrosine in the culture medium. Small amounts of exogenous cyclic [c] AMP stimulate the growth rate of these cells. Since MSH causes an increase in intracellular levels of \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* it is likely that the stimulation of growth is due to the ability of this hormone to increase the intracellular levels of \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\*. \*\*\*Inhibition\*\*\* of growth in turn is related to the activation of tyrosinase by MSH and the accumulation of toxic substances \*\*\*produced\*\*\* by the tyrosinase reaction.

L11 ANSWER 23 OF 25 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2003 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V. on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 78018027 EMBASE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 1978018027

TITLE: Ionophore A23187 and dibutyryl cyclic AMP effects on cell shape and morphology of B 16 melanoma.

AUTHOR: Sauk Jr. J.J.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Div. Hum. Oral Genet. Oral Pathol., Univ. Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn. 55455, United States

SOURCE: Virchows Archiv Abteilung B Cell Pathology, (1976) 22/4 (305-313).  
CODEN: VAAZA2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

FILE SEGMENT: 037 Drug Literature Index  
005 General Pathology and Pathological Anatomy

016 Cancer  
013 Dermatology and Venereology

LANGUAGE: English

AB Melanoma cells in culture possess various shapes depending on the stage of the cell cycle. Stimulation by \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\*  
\*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (MSH) resulting in elevation of cyclic AMP ( \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* ) growth \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* and melanin synthesis will stabilize these cells in a morphology characterized by the presence of long dendrites. The dendrites of melanoma cells have been shown to contain assembled and paralleled aligned microtubules and microfilaments. The ionophore A23187 is a carboxylic acid derivative which has a high affinity for calcium and a diminished attraction to other divalent events dependent on elevation of cytosolic calcium. Recently this compound has been shown to  
\*\*\*inhibit\*\*\* butyrate and dibutyl \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* (db \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* ) induced cell morphologies in HeLa and CHO cells. Treatment of B16 melanoma cells with (db \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* ) for 24 hr resulted in dendritic cells possessing parallel assembled microtubules. A23187 treatment resulted in a biphasic response: its long term effect was characterized by small epithelioid cells, while the immediate response \*\*\*produced\*\*\* elongated cells with parallel arranged 10 nm microfilaments, characteristic of dispersive melanocytes.

L11 ANSWER 24 OF 25 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2003 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1976:202626 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: BA62:32626

TITLE: FACTORS REGULATING GROWTH AND PIGMENTATION OF MELANOMA CELLS.

AUTHOR(S): PAWELEK J M

SOURCE: J INVEST DERMATOL, (1976) 66 (4), 201-209.

CODEN: JIDEAE. ISSN: 0022-202X.

FILE SEGMENT: BA; OLD

LANGUAGE: Unavailable

AB Growth and melanization are intimately related in melanoma cells. MSH [ \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* ], by promoting elevated c(cyclic)AMP levels, causes increases in melanization, cessation of growth and gross morphologic changes in Cloudman S-91 mouse melanoma cells. Growth \*\*\*inhibition\*\*\* results from high levels of \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* while growth stimulation occurs with lower levels. During melanization, oxidation \*\*\*products\*\*\* of tyrosine are generated which are toxic to the cells. Genetic studies revealed that some of these processes are related through common biochemical pathways. This article reviews work of recent years on such regulatory mechanisms in melanoma.

L11 ANSWER 25 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN

DUPLICATE 19

ACCESSION NUMBER: 76071502 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 76071502 PubMed ID: 172624

TITLE: Effects of choroid plexus peptide IIF on adenylate cyclase and 3',5'-cyclic adenosine monophosphate in adipose tissue.

AUTHOR: Rudman D

SOURCE: JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGY AND EXPERIMENTAL THERAPEUTICS, (1975 Dec) 195 (3) 532-9.

Journal code: 0376362. ISSN: 0022-3565.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

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Entered Medline: 19760227

AB Two hypophyseal lipolytic peptides, adrenocorticotropin (ACTH) and beta- \*\*\*melanocyte\*\*\* - \*\*\*stimulating\*\*\* \*\*\*hormone\*\*\* (beta-MSH), and the extrahypophyseal lipolytic peptide IIF, were compared with regard to their effects on free fatty acid \*\*\*production\*\*\* and 3',5'-cyclic adenosine monophosphate ( \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* ) concentration in isolated rabbit and rat adipose tissue, and on adenylate cyclase activity in the tissue homogenates. ACTH at concentrations of 0.01 mug/ml or more increased lipolysis and \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* levels in both tissues. beta-MSH at concentrations of 0.001 mug/ml or more increased lipolysis and \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* in the rabbit tissue, but a concentration of 10 mug/ml did not stimulate lipolysis and did not alter nucleotide concentration in the rat tissue. Peptide IIF at 0.01 mug/ml or more stimulated lipolysis in rabbit adipose tissue and caused an accumulation of \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* . A concentration of 100 mug/ml failed to stimulate free fatty acid \*\*\*production\*\*\* in the rat tissue and the \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\* level was also unaffected. In a medium containing 7.6 mEq/l of Mg++ and no Ca++, ACTH at 0.1 mug/ml or more stimulated adenylate cyclase activity in both rabbit

and rat adipose homogenates by 6- to 12-fold. This effect was \*\*\*inhibited\*\*\* when Mg++ was replaced by Ca++, Na+ or K+. beta-MSH stimulated adenylate cyclase in rabbit, but not in rat, adipose homogenate in Mg++-containing incubation medium; again, the effect on rabbit adenylate cyclase was suppressed when Mg++ was replaced by Ca++, Na+ or K+. Peptide IIF failed to influence adenylate cyclase in the rabbit tissue homogenate in the Mg++-containing, Ca++-free medium; but when the medium contained 7.6 mEq/l of Ca++ in place of Mg++, 0.1 mug/ml or more of IIF caused a 4- to 15-fold increase in cyclase activity. IIF did not affect cyclase in the rat tissue homogenate in the presence or absence of Ca++. The data are consistent with the conclusion that extrahypophyseal lipolytic peptide IIF, as well as hypophyseal peptides ACTH and beta-MSH, accelerates lipolysis in susceptible adipocytes by stimulating adenylate cyclase to \*\*\*produce\*\*\* \*\*\*CAMP\*\*\*. The effect of IIF on cyclase requires the presence of exogenous Ca++; that of ACTH and beta-MSH requires exogenous Mg++.

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TITLE: The central melanocortin system regulates food intake in
goldfish.
AUTHOR: Cerda-Reverter Jose Miguel; Schioth Helgi Birgir; Peter
Richard Ector
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biological Sciences, University of Alberta,
T6G 2E9, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.
SOURCE: REGULATORY PEPTIDES, (2003 Sep 15) 115 (2) 101-13.
Journal code: 8100479. ISSN: 0167-0115.
PUB. COUNTRY: Netherlands
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
FILE SEGMENT: IN-PROCESS; NONINDEXED; Priority Journals
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 20030916
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AB  Posttranscriptional processing of proopiomelanocortin (POMC) yields
melanocortin peptides, which are involved in the regulation of energy
balance in mammals. The sequence preservation of the main brain
melanocortin, alpha- ***melanocyte*** - ***stimulating***
***hormone*** (alpha-MSH), suggests a conserved function throughout
vertebrate evolution. We studied the involvement of the central
melanocortin system in the control of food intake in the goldfish. In
situ hybridization studies done following molecular cloning of POMC mRNA
demonstrated positive POMC mRNA cell bodies exclusively expressed within
the mediobasal hypothalamus, in the anterior, posterior and inferior part
of the lateral tuberal nucleus and the medial region of the lateral recess
nucleus. POMC expression is localized in brain areas appropriate for
involvement in food intake and neuroendocrine regulation. Progressive
fasting did not affect POMC mRNA expression levels.
Intracerebroventricular administration of [Nle(4), D-Phe(7)]-alpha-MSH
(NDP-alpha-MSH), a universal melanocortin agonist, within nanomolar range,
dose-dependently inhibited food intake 2 h after treatment. The results
show for the first time a functional melanocortin system in fishes that
participates in central regulation of food intake. The conserved central
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expression pattern of POMC mRNA and role of MSH peptides in physiological regulation of food intake suggests that melanocortin functions were gained early in vertebrate evolution.

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L18 ANSWER 1 OF 1 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2003 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:772657 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:329599

TITLE: Melanocyte-stimulating hormone inhibitors

INVENTOR(S): Shiojiri, Eiji; Takino, Yoshinobu; Chujou, Hiromi; Sakamoto, Kazutami; Ijichi, Chiori; Eto, Yuzuru; Iwasaki, Keiji

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Ajinomoto Co., Inc., Japan

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 37 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: Japanese

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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: JP 1999-118633 A 19990426

WO 2000-JP2687 W 20000425

AB MSH inhibitors characterized by contg., as the active ingredient, di- or \*\*\*tripeptide\*\*\* derivs. having a specific \*\*\*naphthyl\*\*\* group or salts thereof, or a MSH inhibiting compd. showing a 50% inhibitory concn. (IC50) on cAMP prodn. of 100 nm or less. These inhibitors can inhibit pigmentation, prevent, ameliorate or treat immunopathy or immunodeficiency, or regulate body wt. by controlling appetite. These

inhibitors are usable in \*\*\*cosmetics\*\*\* and skin \*\*\*preps\*\*\*  
for external use. Moreover, they can be easily produced and have a high  
storage stability.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:587233 CAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 135:157403  
TITLE: .alpha.-MSH inhibitors and their use for  
skin-lightening \*\*\*cosmetics\*\*\* and topical  
\*\*\*preparations\*\*\*  
INVENTOR(S): Tada, Akihiro; Kato, Tomomi; Katagiri, Takayuki  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Pola Chemical Industries, Inc., Japan  
SOURCE: Jpn. Kokai Tokkyo Koho, 6 pp.  
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AB Title inhibitors I (R1 = alkenyl; R2-R5 = OH, C1-4 alkyloxy, C1-4 acyloxy)  
and/or their physiol. acceptable salts are useful for skin-lightening  
cosmetics and for treatment of abnormal skin pigmentation in inflammation  
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